GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING
LOK SABHA

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PRESS AND REGISTRATION OF BOOKS ACT,1867.
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Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government proposes to amend the Press and Registration of Books (PRB) Act, 1867 in consultation with various stakeholders;

(b) if so, the details of the proposed amendments; and

(c) the time by when the said legislation is likely to be introduced?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI P.R. DASMUNSI)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b) & (c): Since Press and Registration of Books Act, 1867 is very old, various provisions of the Act are proposed to be amended to bring it in line with the present times. No specific time for the proposed amendments can be given since, it is to be processed at various stages and passed by the Parliament.